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Held over for Coffee County Grand Jury
**District Judge reduces
murder suspects bond**

by Linda Hodge, Editor

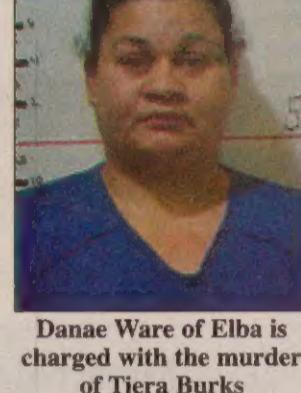
Coffee County District Judge Christopher Kaminski recently filed an order granting a bond reduction for defendant Danae Ann Ware, age 33, of Elba.

Ware is charged with March 27th murder of Tiera Burks in Elba. Ware is accused of hitting Burks with her vehicle near the intersection of Farris Street and Kendrick Street in Elba. Burks died as a result of injuries sustained in that incident.

Ware's bond originally was set at \$75,000 for the murder charge she faces.

On May 14th, there was a preliminary hearing before Judge Kaminski. Appointed counsel Joshua Pipkin represented the defendant, and the state was represented by assistant district attorney Joshua Wilson.

In an order filed by Judge Kaminski on June 14th, he noted probable cause was



Danae Ware of Elba is charged with the murder of Tiera Burks

found to exist, and the case was forwarded to the action of the Grand Jury.

Also, Judge Kaminski said he considered arguments presented, and over the objection of the state, he granted the defendant's oral motion to reduce bond. He said the defendant may be released on bond upon posting a \$50,000 standard secured bond.

As of press time this week, Ware remained in the Coffee County Jail.

Recent burglaries in Coffee County being investigated

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Recent reports indicate the northern part of Coffee County, especially the Jack community, has been plagued with burglaries.

Coffee County resident Merlene Flowers said her brother-in-law's home on County Road 201 recently fell victim to burglars. The thing upsetting Flowers the most is that wheelchair ramp and rails provided to her brother-in-law, Perry Flowers, by VA Veterans was stolen. She said the burglars also broke into his mobile home.

She said her brother-in-law is not currently at the home due to health issues, but that still does not make it right for someone to steal his property and make a mess of it.

Elba's "Let Freedom Ring" event set for July 4th

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The City of Elba and Elba Chamber of Commerce/Main Street Elba invites everyone to take an authentic step back to a simpler time for fireworks, great summer food, and live entertainment Wednesday evening, July 4th.

All these activities highlight an evening of fun for the "Let Freedom Ring" celebration on the square in downtown Elba. The event begins at 6:30 p.m. and concludes with a spectacular fireworks show at 9 p.m.

"Again this year, we will have the event on the east side of the Coffee County Courthouse (facing Factory Avenue) this year," said Sandy Bynum, executive director of the Elba Chamber of Commerce.

"This helps shield everyone from the sun a bit during the early hours of the event, and also provides a better view of the fireworks show at 9 p.m."

Added this year will be the Ben E. Keith Stage, which will be the site for a concert by Nashville recording artists The



Fourth of July
in Elba

Springs. This duo includes married couple Stewart Halcomb, from Enterprise, and Holly Helms, from New Market, Ala.

The fireworks are shot from a lot near the Elba Fire Department.

America's first commemorative Independence Day was celebrated with a parade, entertainment, games, and fireworks on July 4, 1777 and began with the ringing of church bells. Elba continues that tradition!

The "Let Freedom Ring" event begins at 6:30 p.m.

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TWO INJURED IN ACCIDENT...Local emergency personnel, including the Elba Fire Department, were dispatched Wednesday afternoon, June 20, to a two-vehicle wreck on Alabama Highway 87 at the intersection of County Road 341, north of Elba. The accident occurred at approximately 1:15 p.m. Reports indicate a 1998 Ford Ranger, driven by Randall Duane Adams, of Elba, pulled into the path of a 2016 Freightliner 18-wheeler truck, driven by Joseph Lee King, of Enterprise. The Ranger overturned after being struck by the Freightliner. Adams and a passenger in his truck, Kenneth Wayne Coone, also of Elba, were injured in this accident and both transported from the scene to a local hospital to receive medical treatment. King was not injured. This accident was investigated by Alabama State Troopers.

Holiday Notices:

The City of Elba offices will be closed Wednesday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day. The garbage truck will run its regular schedule. There will be standby crews for any utility emergencies. To report a utility emergency, call the Elba Police Department at (334) 897-2555. As always, to report a life-threatening emergency, call 911.

The Elba Clipper will have a special deadline for the Thursday, July 5th, edition of the newspaper. All news and advertising will be due to the office no later than Monday, July 2, at 12 Noon.

The Elba Clipper office will be closed Wednesday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day!

Elba BOE approves two teacher hires at June 25th regular meeting

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The Elba City School Board members met

Monday evening, June 25, for their regular June session.

Superintendent Chris Moseley reviewed briefly the current position of the schools in connection with the Bicentennial Program.

The schools have been awarded the grant of \$2000 each to be used in the 2018-

2019 school year to support the Bicentennial Program.

Moseley also reported that Alex Wright, a high school student had been named to the State All-Star

Basketball Team.

Moseley presented the annual CNP bids for

approval and Board member Gladys Yelverton

moved for the board to accept the milk bid placed

by City Dairy and to also award the bread bid to

Bimbo Bakeries. The

motion passed unanimously.

Moseley asked the board to approve the substitution of the General Health credit for the Health Science credit, when applicable.

Matt Brunson so moved,

Doris Matthews seconded.

Again the vote to approve

passed unanimously.

Board member Yelverton

moved for the approval of

Band and Show Choir credits

to be eligible to replace

LIFE P.E. credits.

Matthews seconded, all in

favor, and motion passed.

The board also approved

three personnel changes.

Elba Elementary teacher

Lytelia Berry resigned and

the board accepted her

resignation.

The board approved hir-

ing of two new teachers.

Claire Bailey was hired to

work in the Elba Ele-

mentary School, and

Phillip Smith was hired to

teach science at the Elba

High School.

The next regularly sched-

uled school board meeting

is at 5:30 p.m. on July 17th.

The deadline to register to vote in Alabama's July 17 party primary runoff is Monday, July 2nd.

County Commission approves motion to bid project for repairs to Coffee County DHR building

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Coffee County Commission met Monday morning, June 25, and had only a couple of matters to consider.

County administrator Rod Morgan brought to the attention of commissioners a memorandum of understanding between the county and State Department of Human Resources (DHR) regarding some building repair work needed on the Coffee County DHR building. In this agreement, Morgan said the county would bid the project and would be reimbursed later by the state for the cost of repair.

The repair work needed is to the roof of the building.

Commissioners voted

unanimously to approve this memorandum of understanding to move forward with repairs to the Coffee County DHR building.

Assistant engineer Marty Lentz brought to the attention of commissioners a need to approve a resolution to initiate a federal aid resurfacing project for County Road 304. This motion also was approved with no opposition.

Coffee County Environmental Services solid waste officer Dean Blair explained that residential garbage pickup services would run the normal route during the week

No changes for Coffee County's garbage pickup during July 4th week

The Coffee County Commission's Environmental Services Solid Waste Division announces all Coffee County Solid Waste garbage collection routes will run as scheduled during the week of July 4th.

There will be NO CHANGES and garbage will be picked up on Wednesday, July 4th.

of the 4th of July. He said the county's garbage trucks would not take the 4th off; therefore, all routes would stay the same during the holiday week.

In an update from the Coffee County Registrars office, Linda Blake said the Primary Runoff Election would be upcoming on July 17th. She noted the last day to register to vote in that runoff election would be Monday, July 2nd.

Absentee ballots have been received and should be going out, according to Blake.

The next Coffee County Commission meeting is set for Monday, July 9, at 9 a.m. in the community room of the county complex in New Brockton.

Area Happenings

THE DAV WIREGRASS CHAPTER 99, located in New Brockton, Ala., will meet Thursday, June 28, at 6 p.m. Also the July meeting for the DAV Wiregrass Chapter 99 will be held on Thursday, July 26, at 6 p.m. The meetings each will take place in the New Brockton Senior Center. The group will be nominating officers for the upcoming year at the July meeting. For further information contact Charles Lobdell at 334-718-5707.

THE COFFEE COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT will conduct its July Board meeting on Tuesday, July 10, at 10 a.m. The meeting will be at the Alabama Forestry Commission building, located at 1155 E. McKinnon, New Brockton, Ala.

ALABAMA STATE FORESTER RICK OATES WILL BE SPEAKING at the Enterprise Chamber of Commerce Agribusiness breakfast Friday, July 13, at 8 a.m. Oates' topic of discussion will be the economic benefits of Alabama timberlands. The breakfast will be held at the Enterprise Farmers Market, located at 521 N. Main St., Enterprise.

EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

"Politics is supposed to be the second oldest profession. I have come to realize that it bears a very close resemblance to the first." – Ronald Reagan

What should be done about the flow of illegal immigrants pouring into the U.S. – or is this another case of "fake news"? You pick your favorite side on this issue and we will take the opposing side. Each of us could flood the room with "facts" and quotes to back up our respective side of the debate. First we should probably narrow the debate to "where are the illegals coming from – Mexico or Central America"? The latest indepth report we read on this indicated that the Mexican inflow has been dropping for several years while those from Central America have drastically increased. If that is true then the majority of illegals are probably not coming for money, but actually to get themselves AND their children away from the violence in their native country. None of the above answers the question of "what to do" and alas we don't have an answer. The "do good" side of us wants to help everyone that needs help. The practical side reminds us that there is a limit to the number of those down on their luck, etc., America can handle before they drag our country down as well. The mean side of us would probably agree to building the infamous Trump wall . . . and enforcing the keep-out signs. Right now the favored position is to strongly push back against the mean side impulse! Hopefully someone much smarter than this country newspaper publisher will find a workable answer – and before it is too late.

Alabama has a run-off election scheduled for July 17th. There are far fewer candidates on the ballot this time around so each of us should have an easier time of learning about the respective candidates.

There seems to have been a rash of young children killed by hit-and-run drivers within the past week. There was one just South of here and four or five others scattered from Texas to the Northeast. Actually one of these was death by being hit by a car (in a parking lot), but not a hit-and-run. It is still a family having to bury their young, innocent child. That has got to be a heavy load for anyone to carry. Hopefully we will never be on either side of that equation – having to bury our child/grandchild or being the person who drove the car that hit and killed any person. Either would be bad.

It is hard for our mind to accept that 2018 is half over! Clearly it is very true that time flies when you are having fun. Our children, grandchildren, sisters and brother, nieces and nephews are already planning another Labor Day gathering. The family event held last year was the revival of what had been a long family tradition and was enjoyed immensely. This week within 24 hours a request for "how many rooms to reserve" had gotten a couple more commitments than the total for last year. We personally enjoy these events, even though it is exhausting when it is all over and we are back home. The idea that strong family ties help make for a long and enjoyable life is rooted in our basic beliefs.

Enjoy a happy and safe 4th of July holiday!

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, June 18, investigated the following incidents: one harassing communications, one theft, one harassment, one criminal mischief, one attempting to elude, one resisting arrest, one theft of property, and one burglary.

Arrests made during the week included: two for failure to appear.

Traffic citations issued were as follows: two for speeding.

MONDAY, JUNE 18 – Coffee County EMS dispatched to a two-vehicle wreck on Hwy. 167 just south of Hwy. 125 (4:04 a.m.); Motorcycle accident reported at Caroline and Boswell streets (1:37 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to the wreck at Caroline and Boswell streets (1:37 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 27274 Hwy. 87 N (6:23 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 3120 County Rd. 239 (9:44 p.m.).

TUESDAY, JUNE 19 – Elba Fire Department dispatched to an abandoned house fire at Edmondson and

Williams (2:30 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to the house for standby at Edmondson and Williams (2:30 a.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at Morrow Village (9:49 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20 – Coffee County EMS dispatched to 3780 County Rd. 223 (10:50 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 28742 Hwy. 87 N (10:53 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 335 Brunson Circle (11:14 p.m.).

THURSDAY, JUNE 21 – Coffee County EMS dispatched to 609 Pine Cove (6:18 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 595 Collier Circle (3:26 p.m.); Minor 2-vehicle wreck reported on the 203 Bypass at the Travel Center (3:42 a.m.).

SATURDAY, JUNE 23 – Possible prowler reported on Plant Ave. (12:02 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 1663 Hwy. 166 (1:22 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 708 County Rd. 455 (7:58 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 717 Putnam St. (5:33 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 19884 Hwy. 87 (10:46 p.m.).

SUNDAY, JUNE 24 – Burglary (past) reported at 643 Claxton Ave. (9:23 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 1022 Martin Luther King Dr. (12:27 p.m.); Burglary (past) reported at 611 Claxton Ave. (12:57 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a grass fire off Hwy. 84 at National Security (2:14 p.m.); Prowler reported on County Rd. 249 (2:34 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a grass fire on County Rd. 505 (5:55 p.m.); Burglary (past) reported at 357 Brunson Circle (7:03 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 1598 Grey St. (8:45 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to 1598 Grey St. (8:49 p.m.).

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Stunningly powerful weapons will always win wars

Guest Editorial by R.A. Mathews

President Trump announced on Monday that he's establishing a sixth branch of the military—a space force. One goal is intelligence, but the idea of weaponizing space is huge. Clearly, powerful weapons win wars, and Trump knows we must push the envelope—be there first.

It's always been so.

The atomic bomb unleashed its fury, ending World War II in the Pacific. The Allies also pushed forward with experimental weapons against Hitler. Many know President Kennedy's older brother, a navy pilot, died during World War II. But most don't know his death involved a "drone."

These early drones were unmanned, out-of-service B-17 and B-24 bombers packed with thousands of pounds of explosives. A second plane would follow the unmanned bomber, guiding it to a German target.

The problem at the outset was that the Allies didn't have the technology to get the bombers off the ground. That's where Kennedy came in—he volunteered to pilot one of these makeshift drones into the sky and then parachute with his copilot into the English Channel. A waiting ship would be there to pick up the two men.

What happened? The plane exploded mid-air. These early drones were developed in the field, and there wasn't time for needed testing.

But God had stunningly powerful drones over 3,000 years before WWII. I bet you didn't know that.

As I said, powerful weapons win wars and these drones won two battles of immense importance, which would shape the Hebrews' future. Yet for

some reason this weaponry is practically a secret in the Bible.

The famous battles happen after God's people leave Egypt but are still in the wilderness. Moses asks King Sihon, who's aligned with King Og, for permission to cross his Amorite land.

"Well, no," Sihon says. He isn't having it, and the fierce Amorite armies are impossible to beat.

What happens next?

Listen, the Hebrews weren't warriors—they were slaves who made bricks. They also weren't brave. Remember when the Egyptian army came after them? God's people were trembling in the sand. And when it comes time to invade the Promised Land, they want to go back to slavery.

But God strengthened Moses, and the Hebrews march right across Amorite land, defeating both Sihon and Og. It's a shining moment in Israel's history—one that the Psalms repeatedly celebrate. And it will smooth the Israelites' path as they conquer Canaan. In other words, the Canaanites are terrified of them.

Consider Rahab. When two Hebrew spies arrive in the Canaanite city of Jericho, this prostitute hides them saying, "We have heard...what you did to...Sihon and Og and...our hearts melted." She's determined to be on the right side of a Hebrew-Canaanite battle.

What do you bet those spies flexed their muscles saying, "We are warriors, hear us roar!"

Uh—except they weren't.

How then did the Hebrews beat the mighty Amorites? Powerful weapons win wars—God

brought forth His terrible, self-propelled, killer drones. Hand over my heart, I'm telling you the truth!

As I said, this secret weaponry is scarcely mentioned in the Bible. In fact, when you read about Sihon and Og in the 4th and 5th books of the Bible the truth never comes out. It's not until the 6th book, "Joshua," that God reminds His people not to forget what He's done for them. Here's the verse: "[Sihon and Og were] driven out, but not by your sword or your bow." Joshua 24:12 ESV

So how were the fierce Amorite armies defeated? Have you ever stumbled upon a hornet's nest? It's time to run, right? That's what happened. God sent swarms of hornets to defeat the Amorites. "I sent the hornet before you which drove out [Sihon and Og]..." Joshua 24:12

Those killer drones were effective.

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Obituaries

Death notices updated regularly on our website at <www.elba-clipper.com>**JANELL GRISWOLD DOWNING**

Mrs. Janell Griswold Downing, age 81, a resident of Dothan, Ala., died Tuesday, June 12, 2018, at her son's residence.

Private family graveside services were held at Gardens of Memory Cemetery with Kendall Glover directing. Glover Funeral Home of Dothan was entrusted with the arrangements.

Memorials may be made to Gideons International, P O Box 140800, Nashville, TN 37218-0800 or the Samaritan's Purse, P O Box 3800, Boone, NC 28607.

Mrs. Downing was born August 13, 1936 in Jack, Alabama to Wilson and Bernice Head Griswold.

She was predeceased by her husband Morris Downing, who died in 1991; and a brother, Jack Griswold.

Survivors include her daughter: Gwen Downing, Dothan; two sons: Roy Downing (Jan), LaGrange, Ga., and Russell Downing (Tona), Dothan; a sister: Mable Lee, Elba, Ala.; four grandchildren: Wesley Downing (Caryn), Talbot, Tenn., Kristoffer Downing (Melissa), Tara Britto (Josh) and Kala Carr (Shawn) all of Dothan; five great-grandchildren: Oliver Downing, Kole Downing, Jesse Carr, Kaylee Carr and Brooklyn Britto.

ROSA FOSTER WALKER

Mrs. Rosa Foster Walker, age 60, of New Brockton, Ala., died Thursday, June 14, 2018, at Southeast Alabama Medical Center, Dothan.

Funeral services were held June 23, 2018 at New Brockton High School with Coleman Funeral Home of Elba in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Walker was born in Rochester, NY, on November 19, 1957, to the late Bert and Sherrie Foster. Rosie received her education at Mulberry School in Elba. Rosie served as a faithful employee at New Brockton High School for 24 years.

She was preceded in death by her mother and father, Bert and Sherrie Foster; sister, Janice Foster; and brother, Bert Foster Jr.; grandparents, Eddie Bell and Pearlie Turner and Yank Foster and Mayreed Walton; six aunts; and three uncles.

Survivors include her husband: Charles Walker Sr., New Brockton; three sons: Cedric (Tonya) Foster, Edward (Christy) Walker, and Charles (Shantel) Walker Jr.; three sisters: Michelle Foster and Stephanie (Terry) Adams, both of New Brockton, and Lannis (Clayton) Favors, Panama City, Fla.; four brothers:

Johnny (Margaret) Foster, Level Plains, Ala., Don Foster, Stanley Foster, and Steven Foster, all of New Brockton; seven nieces: Devin Harbuck, Morgan Foster, Ashanti Foster, Ana Bella Adams, Sherrie Foster, Tilina Foster, and Aquaneta Foster; seven nephews: Donnell Foster, Rashaun Foster, Demetrius Foster, Seneca Foster, Sheridan Foster, Courtney Foster, and Dontarius Adams; nine grandchildren: Xavier, Briton, Kyren, Elijah, Aiden, Makayla, Marquis, Sir'nya, and Khiry; her aunts, uncle, and a host of other cousins and close friends.

PATRICIA BLAIR

Ms. Patricia Blair, age 60, of Enterprise, Ala., died Monday, June 18, 2018, at Medical Center Enterprise.

Funeral services were held June 23, 2018 at New Summerhill Baptist Church, Daleville, Ala.

Patricia was born May 11, 1957 in Tuskegee, Ala., to Lille Ruth Beard and Willie F. Brown of Enterprise, Ala. She graduated from Enterprise High School

attended the University of Alabama where she received a bachelor's degree in library science.

Survivors include her mother: Lillie Ruth Beard, Enterprise; one son: Thomas Butler (Michelle), Dothan, Ala.; two sisters: Trancis Dees (Lennie), Montgomery, Ala., and Cynthia Langston (Michael), Enterprise; two brothers: Michael Beard, Enterprise, Mark Beard (Wanda), Montgomery; ten grandchildren; one uncle: Royal Dickson (Ossie), Daleville; one aunt: Ethel Dickson, Ocala, Fla.; and a host of relatives, cousins, nephews, nieces, and other friends.

JEFFERY ANDREWS

Mr. Jeffery Andrews, age 51, of Enterprise, Ala., died Thursday, June 14, 2018, at Medical Center Enterprise.

Funeral services were held June 18, 2018 at Coleman Funeral Home of Enterprise.

Jeffery was born December 14, 1966 to the late O.D. and Corene Andrews of New Brockton, Ala.

He was preceded in death by two sons, baby Jeffery T. Andrews and baby Deomonte D. Andrews; and one sister, Joan L. Andrews.

Survivors include four children: Aaron Q, Scott (Crystal), Montgomery, Ala., Kierra L. Andrews Scott, Huntsville, Ala., Jeffery S. Andrews and Raheem L. Andrews, both of Enterprise; six grandchildren, three brothers: Danny Andrews (Mary Rose), Panama City, Fla.,

Darron Andrews (Jimmie Ann), Enterprise, and Victor Andrews (Angie), Ft. Campbell, Ky., two sisters: Debbie Silar and Latasha Crawford (James), Enterprise; and a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends.

DERRICK PHILLIPS

Mr. Derrick Phillips, age 44, of Ozark, Ala., died recently at Flowers Hospital in Dothan, Ala.

Funeral services were held June 23, 2018 at Christian Faith Fellowship, Coleman Funeral Home of Enterprise was in charge of funeral arrangements.

Derrick Phillips [aka Bobby] was born December 31, 1973 in Enterprise, Ala., to Donella Oliver Phillips and Johnny Will Phillips.

He was preceded in death by Nesa Ann Stewart and Erica Lenise Phillips.

Survivors include his wife: Kezia L. Crittenden Phillips; children: Tytianna L. Phillips, Derrick D. Phillips II, James J. Phillips, Kayla A. Phillips, and Jalecia Reynolds; and siblings: Angela Phillips, Johnny Jerome Phillips, Willie A Phillips, and Brett Phillips.

Mrs. Lasseter was born to the late Walter M. and Suzie (Averett) Godwin. She was the youngest of their nine children who are already

WYNELLE LASSETER
Mrs. Wynelle (Godwin) Lasseter, age 87, died Sunday, June 24, 2018.

Mrs. Lasseter spent a 35-year career with the Coffee County Dept. of Agriculture (now known as the Farm Service Agency). The last 10 years of her career were spent as the County Executive Director.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., on Friday, June 29, 2018, at Old Tabernacle United Methodist Church with Rev. Lee Jones officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 4-6 p.m., Thursday, June 28, 2018, at Searcy Funeral Home and Crematory in Enterprise, Ala. In lieu of flowers the family requests that donations be made to the Old Tabernacle United Methodist Church, 11596 Hwy. 51, New Brockton, AL 36351.

Mrs. Lasseter was born to the late Walter M. and Suzie (Averett) Godwin. She was the youngest of their nine children who are already

deceased, five sisters: Flossie Clark, Ruby Rainey, Wilma Ramsey, Doris Simmons and Mary Johnson, also, three brothers, James, Edsel and Cecil Godwin.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Howard C. Lasseter.

Survivors include a daughter: Suzanne Feiner (husband Adam), Enterprise; a son: Chris Lasseter (wife Julee), Ashford, Ala.; four grandsons: JJ Clemons, Seth Feiner, Sam Lasseter and John Luke Lasseter; and one sister-in-law: Earlean Godwin.

MAX E. HOLLAND

Mr. Max E. Holland, age 71, died Monday, June 25,

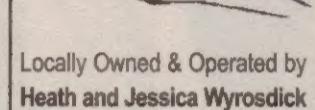
2018, at Southeast Alabama Medical Center, Dothan, Ala.

Graveside services were held from Evergreen Cemetery on Wednesday, June 27, at 11 a.m., with Min. Edward Britton officiating. Visitation was at Hayes Funeral Home on Wednesday, June 27, from 10 to 10:45 a.m.

Survivors include his sisters: Sandra Durden, Dothan, Rhonda (Robert) Miller, Ozark, Ala.; special friend: Mary McPherson, Dozier, Ala.; nephews: Michael Vidich, Opp, Ala., Matthew Vidich, Luverne, Ala., Phillip Sakers, Cowarts, Ala., and Channing Holland, Prattville, Ala.; numerous great nieces and nephews.

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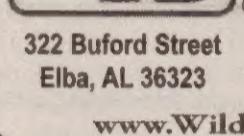
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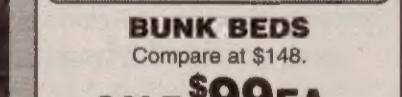
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Ice Cream Social set for Saturday, June 30, at Ino Senior Citizens Center

The Ino Senior Citizens Center will be hosting an ice cream social for anyone 60-years-old and over on Saturday, June 30, beginning at 4 p.m.

There will be grilled hamburgers and hotdogs, chips, drinks and of course, homemade ice cream. There also will be singing and playing games.

Come and see what kind of fun a Senior Citizen can have by joining this group.

For more information contact the director of the Ino Senior Center, Chris Johnson, at (334) 565-9196.

The Ino Senior Center is located across from Ino Baptist Church at 6264 Highway 134. Anyone 60 or over or married to someone 60 years old or older is invited to attend.

Kindergarten Jump Start set for July 25-26 at Elba Elementary

Elba Elementary School's Kindergarten Jump Start will be held July 25-26 from 8:30-11 a.m.

All new kindergarten students for Elba City Schools are invited to come join the fun. By attending these two short days, the new kindergarten students will have the opportunity to become familiar with faculty, friends, and the procedures of their new school before the older students arrive.

Parents that have yet to enroll a child in school, registration packets are available now in the elementary school office.



FIVE CANDIDATES RUNNING IN THE JULY 17 REPUBLICAN RUN-OFF ELECTION spoke at the June 11th Coffee County Republican Club (CCRC) meeting. Pictured above, left to right: CCRC Vice-Chair Kevin Kennington; Rick Pate, candidate for Agriculture and Industry Commissioner; Brad Mendheim, candidate for Associate Supreme Court Justice; Bobby Bright, candidate for Congressional District 2 Representative; CCRC Chairman Jason Bruce; Tracie West, candidate for District 2 State School Board member; and Will Ainsworth, candidate for Lieutenant Governor. CCRC meets the second Monday of the month at Po Folks. Everyone is invited. Social time begins at 6 p.m. with the program starting at 6:30. Attendees may order from the menu. For more information, call 406-1318.



CANDIDATES RUNNING IN THE JULY 17TH REPUBLICAN RUN-OFF ELECTION WERE FEATURED AT THE JUNE REPUBLICAN WOMEN OF COFFEE COUNTY (RWCC) MEETING. Pictured above, left to right: Chris McCool, candidate for Court of Criminal Appeals; Judge Mark Anderson, who spoke on behalf of his son Rich Anderson, also a candidate for Court of Criminal Appeals; Christy Edwards, candidate for Court of Civil Appeals; RWCC President Shawn Young; RWCC 1st Vice-President Robin Foy; Melanie Hill, District 2 State School Board Member candidate; Brad Mendheim, candidate for Associate Supreme Court Justice; and Lister Reeves, who is running for House District 91 Representative. RWCC meets the third Wednesday of the month at the Enterprise Country Club. Social time begins at 11 am, optional \$12 buffet at 11:30, and the program starts at noon. Everyone is invited, but reservations are necessary. Point of contact is Jan at 334-494-3763 or email: rwccreservations@gmail.com.

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Former Elba resident receives Assistant Dean promotion at Vanderbilt University's Owen Graduate School of Management

Former Elba resident and Elba High School alumnus Cherrie Clay Wilkerson recently received the appointment as Assistant Dean for Young Professionals Programs at Vanderbilt University's Owen Graduate School of Management in Nashville, Tenn.

I am very pleased to announce the appointment of Cherrie Wilkerson as Assistant Dean for Young Professional Programs," said Eric Johnson, Dean of Owen Graduate School of Management. "Cherrie is currently professor of the practice of management

and program director for the MSF [Masters in Finance] program, which she will continue."

In partnership with MSF faculty director Nick Bollen and the MSF team, Cherrie Clay Wilkerson has successfully overseen the MSF program – growing the enrollment and strengthening the program.



Johnson said she teaches a successful MSF core class and has also developed popular executive education programs like Leading Millennials.

"Cherrie's experience leading the undergraduate department of Managerial Studies gives her a unique perspective of early career graduate programming,"

said Johnson. As Assistant Dean for Young Professional Programs, Wilkerson will oversee the 1-year residential Masters programs including MAcc, MSF, and MMark.

"I am excited about the maturity and success of these three programs and look forward to further growth and improvement as they leverage the combined strength," said Johnson. We are fortunate to have such a strong staff team at Owen and I am delighted to see our progress in developing our internal talent!"

Landmark Park presents Animal Adventures on upcoming Fridays

Every Friday from June 29th - July 27th, Landmark Park in Dothan will present Animal Adventures, a special one-hour educational program which provides a unique opportunity to learn about the natural world.

Children ages 5 and older are encouraged to come with their families to see first-hand the wonder of native and exotic animals. Programs begin at 10 a.m. in the Park's Interpretive Center Auditorium. Free with paid gate admission (\$4 for adults, \$3 for kids, free for members and children 2 and under); online registration is required.

Visit www.landmarkparkdothan.com to register.

PROGRAMS TO INCLUDE:

JUNE 29: SNAKES AND REPTILES

Come learn from Page Whatley about these cold-blooded animals and why some of them are endangered. Visitors will have the opportunity to different reptiles up-close, all representing the species native to the Wiregrass region.

JULY 6: FANTASTIC FISH AND WHERE TO FIND THEM

Ken Weathers, of the Alabama Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Department will present a program about common sh. Not only will you get to see the fish that are naturally found in our local lakes and rivers, you will also be able to brush up on your fishing and casting techniques.

JULY 13: DOG TRAINING BASICS

Our four legged fury friends will be the star of this program as local canine specialist Renee Jones-Lewis, along with her canine teaching assistant, show visitors the correct way to interact with dogs. Park visitors will learn training tips they can easily use with their own family pets.

JULY 20: ALLIGATORS

Tim Ward, with the Alabama Department of Conservation, will present a program on one of South Alabama's most misunderstood creatures, the American Alligator. A combination of slides, skins, and skulls—as well as a live alligator—will be used to illustrate and teach participants about the lifestyle and habitats of this unique animal.

JULY 27: HOMING PIGEONS

Homing Pigeons are incredible birds which have an innate homing ability that allows them to return from incredible distances to their nesting area. Join John Ross Helms, member of the Wiregrass Racing Pigeon Club, as he shares his 30+ years of experience.

Landmark Park is a 135-acre natural science and history museum located on the outskirts of Dothan. Features of the park include nature trails, a planetarium, playground, picnic areas, an elevated boardwalk, a turn-of-the-century farmstead with sheep, chickens, cows and other farm animals and crops typical of an 1890s farm. In addition, the park includes a drugstore with operating soda fountain, one-room school, general store, and historic church, all preserved from the surrounding area.

The park is open Monday-Saturday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and on Sundays from noon to 6 p.m. The park is located on U.S. Hwy 431 North, three miles north of Dothan's Ross Clark Circle. For more info, call 334-794-3452 or visit www.landmarkparkdothan.com.

THE ELBA CLIPPER OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED WEDNESDAY, JULY 4TH!

The Springs to perform at Elba's "Let Freedom Ring"

The Elba Chamber of Commerce is excited to present this year's "Let Freedom Ring" event, which will be next Wednesday, July 4, in Elba.

The event will be on the square in Elba and will conclude with an amazing fireworks display. The event will be from 6:30 - 9 p.m. with the fireworks beginning around 9 p.m. [or after dark].

Elba Chamber director Sandy Bynum said plans are to have an even larger July 4th celebration this

year in Elba! With that in mind, she said she is super excited to announce that Nashville recording artists The Springs will be in concert at the July 4th Let Freedom Ring event.

The Springs are originally from Alabama, but are now touring out of Nashville Tennessee. This duo first met while both were performing at the World-Famous Bluebird Café in Nashville.

Male singer Stewart Halcomb, from Enterprise,

not only had been in one of

Enterprise High School's National FFA talent winning bands, but by the time he was 18 he had already charted three singles on the main Music Row Country Chart.

Holly Helms, from New Market, Alabama, the other half of the duo, who is now Stewart's wife, once made it to the third round of the preliminaries of NBC's The Voice TV show.

The Springs' performances are a cross between Jason Aldean to Carrie Underwood to Journey, with some pop and old-time rock & roll thrown in; offering something for everyone, making their shows a sing-a-long crowd pleasing good time.

Bynum encourages everyone to make plans now to be in Elba this July 4th for an exciting fun-filled evening for the family. Other activities will include bounce houses for kids, food vendors, watermelon eating contest, watermelon seed-spitting contest, and a 4th of July parade around the square to open the night's activities!

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The Grace and Peace Ephesians 6:23-24

23 Peace to the brothers and sisters, and love with faith from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. 24 Grace to all who love our Lord Jesus Christ with an undying love.

And so it ends as it began, with salutations of grace and peace. What do these words even mean anymore?

If I'm honest, I have too often seen them as the religious equivalent of, "So good to see you," or, "Thanks so much for coming." You know, "grace and peace." I am aware of their enormous depth of meaning yet they hit people today as a blurry abstraction—somewhere between "hugs and kisses" and "God bless you."

For Paul and the early Christians I think these words served as code words, representing not sentimental filler words but rather an entire world of meaning. Today grace can mean anything from a blessing said prior to a meal to a mulligan on the golf course. For Paul and the people of the Way, grace had a profoundly narrow and specific meaning yet with the broadest reach and application imaginable. Grace meant:

"In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace." Ephesians 1:7.

"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—" Ephesians 2:8.

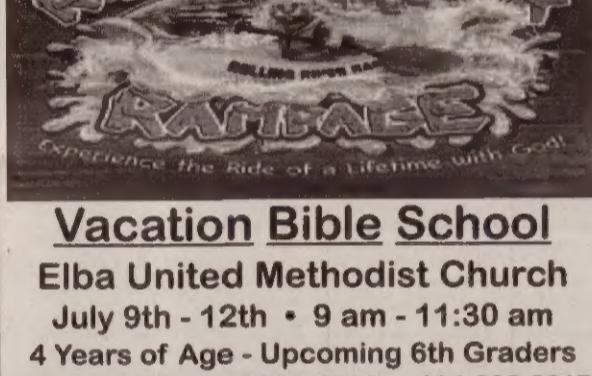
How about peace? The biblical concept of peace (or shalom) has to do with the restoration of all that is broken. Peace means all the dislocated pieces of the shattered and scattered puzzle coming back together again into an integrated wholeness.

What did Paul have to say about peace in this letter?

"For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, 17 He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near."

Could it be the grace of God in Jesus Christ puts our shattered lives back together, and the peace of God in Jesus Christ puts our scattered relationships back together. Grace means restored relationship with God. Peace means restored relationship with neighbor. This convergence lands us in the heart of the heart of it all according to Jesus: the love of God and neighbor. Now note the little phrase Paul tucked into his closing words: and love with faith from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

There's a chant rising to prominence in our conflicted society these days. "No justice! No peace!" The louder it gets the further we seem to get from either. Might the truth be, "No grace. No peace?" Grace brought the greatest justice through the gravest injustice: the death of Jesus. Peace brought the greatest victory from the gravest loss: the Resurrection of Jesus.



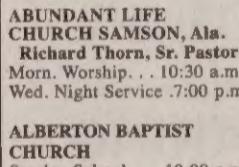
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Mark Ward, Pastor

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Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
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Allen Richards, Pastor

Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
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Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

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Dwight Johnson, Pastor

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GERALD D. LEAVIGNE,

Plaintiff,

V.

KENDRA A. WILLIAMS,

Defendant.

CASE NO.: DR-2018-000007.00

NOTICE OF DIVORCE ACTION

Kendra A. Williams, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer Gerald Leavigne's

COMPLAINT FOR

DIVORCE by July 9, 2018,

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Done this 8th day of June, 2018.

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Coffee County, Alabama

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SEALED BIDS

Sealed bids for T-HANGAR CONSTRUCTION PROJECT, to be constructed for THE CITY OF ELBA, ALABAMA AT CARL FOLSOM FIELD, will be received at 200 Buford Street Elba, AL 36323 until 10:00 am,

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Sealed bids submitted prior to the bid opening should be sent to Pat Boothe, Assistant City Clerk, 200 Buford Street Elba, AL 36323.

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January-December 2017

Is my water safe?

Last year, as in years past, your tap water met all U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM) drinking water health standards. Your local water officials vigilantly safeguard its water supplies and once again we are proud to report that our system has not violated a maximum contaminant level or any other water quality standards. We're pleased to present to you this year's Annual Drinking Water Quality Report. This report is designed to inform you about the quality water and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water. Our water source is one groundwater well. The water we supply comes from the Clayton Aquifer. The Jack Water System also purchases water from the Pike County Water Authority. The Pike County Water Authority utilizes groundwater pumped from seven wells out of the Ripley Aquifer and the Tuscaloosa Aquifer.

The water we provide to our customers requires no specialized treatment. However, chlorine is added to the water for disinfection purposes. This insures the quality of water throughout our distribution system.

The Jack Water System routinely completes a water storage facility inspection plan, and utilizes a Bacteriological Monitoring Plan and a Cross Connection Policy is in place to insure good safe drinking water for our customers. The Jack Water System and Pike County Water Authority have both completed a Source Water Assessment Plan which is available at our offices for review.

This report provides information about potential sources of contamination and is set up to help protect our source.

We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled Board meetings. They are held on the first Monday of each month at the Zion Chapel Senior Citizens located at Highway 87 North, in Jack, and begin at 7:00 p.m.

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Important Drinking Water Definitions:

Action Level (AL) - The concentration of a contaminant that triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system shall follow.

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) - The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) - The level of a contaminant in drinking water below, which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL) - The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG) - The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

Millirems per year (mrem/yr) - Measure of radiation absorbed by the body.

Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU) - Nephelometric turbidity unit is a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person.

Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/L) - One part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter (µg/L) - One part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

Parts per trillion (ppt) or Nanograms per liter (ng/L) - One part per trillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000,000.

Parts per quadrillion (ppq) or Picograms per liter (pg/L) - One part per quadrillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000,000 years or one penny in \$10,000,000,000,000.

Picocuries per liter (pCi/L) - Picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water.

Treatment Technique (TT) - A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Threshold Odor Number (T.O.N.) - The greatest dilution of a sample with odor-free water that still yields a just-detectable odor.

Variances & Exemptions - ADEM or EPA permission not to meet an MCL or a treatment technique under certain conditions.

Explanation of reasons for variance/exemptions:

Based on a study conducted by ADEM with the approval of the EPA a statewide waiver for the monitoring of asbestos and dioxin was issued. Thus monitoring for these contaminants was not required.

The Jack Water System and the Pike County Water Authority routinely monitor for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. Unless otherwise noted, the data presented in the following tables show the results of our monitoring period of January 1st to December 31st, 2017.

GENERAL INFORMATION

All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. It's important to remember that the presence of these contaminants does not necessarily pose a health risk. The EPA or ADEM requires us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently.

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and radioactive material, and it can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activities.

As you can see by the tables, our system had no monitoring violations of allowable limits of contaminants in drinking water. We're proud that your drinking water meets or exceeds all Federal and State requirements. We have learned through our monitoring and testing that some contaminants have been detected. The EPA has determined that your water IS SAFE at these levels. MCL's are set at very stringent levels. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated contaminants, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the described health effect.

Total Coliform: The Total Coliform Rule requires water systems to meet a stricter limit for coliform bacteria. Coliform bacteria are usually harmless, but their presence in water can be an indication of disease-causing bacteria. When coliform bacteria are found, special follow-up tests are done to determine if harmful bacteria are present in the water supply. If this limit is exceeded, the water supplier must notify the public by newspaper, television or radio. To comply with the stricter regulation, we have increased the average amount of chlorine in the distribution system.

Lead in Drinking Water: "If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The Jack Water System is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>."

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. People who are immuno-compromised such as cancer patients undergoing chemotherapy, organ transplant recipients, HIV/AIDS positive or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. People at risk should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA (Environmental Protection Agency)/CDC (Center of Disease Control) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline. All Drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Thank you for allowing us to continue providing your family with clean, quality water this year. In order to maintain a safe and dependable water supply we sometimes need to make improvements that will benefit all of our customers. These improvements are sometimes reflected as rate structure adjustments. Thank you for understanding.

We at the Jack Water System work around the clock to provide top quality water to every tap. We ask that all our customers help us protect our water sources, which are the heart of our community, our way of life and our children's future.

For more information contact:

Mr. David Jordan, Operator

JACK WATER SYSTEM

P. O. Box 47 JACK, AL 36346

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8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M. MONDAY – FRIDAY

Table of Primary Contaminants

Action levels equal or greater than the MCLs are required to issue a Health Advisory. This table provides a quick glance of any action levels issued.							
CONTAMINANT	MCL	Jack	Fl. County	CONTAMINANT	MCL	Jack	Fl. County
Sediment (ppb)	50	ND	162	Escherichia coli	11	ND	ND
Total Coliform	<2%	ND	2	Escherichia coli	200	ND	0.22
Iron	0.3	0.49	ND	Escherichia coli	50	2	ND
Lead/Copper	9	ND	ND	Escherichia coli	700	ND	ND
Bromide	1	ND	ND	Escherichia coli	40	ND	251
Chloride (ppm)	4	ND	ND	Escherichia coli	400	ND	ND
Chloride (ppm)	15	26	ND	Escherichia coli	200	ND	ND
Cadmium (ppm)	5	0.044	ND	Escherichia coli	400	ND	ND
Chlorine (ppm)	30	ND	ND	Escherichia coli	50	ND	ND
Chlorite	6	ND	0.25	Escherichia coli	200	ND	ND
Chlorophyll	10	ND	ND	Escherichia coli	400	ND	ND
Chloroform (ppm)	7	ND	ND	Escherichia coli	500	ND	ND
Chloroform (ppm)	4	ND	ND	Escherichia coli	1000	ND	ND
Chloroform (ppm)	4	1.80	ND	Escherichia coli	200	ND	ND
Chloroform (ppm)	800	ND	ND	Escherichia coli	500	ND	ND
Chloroform (ppm)	1	ND	ND	Escherichia coli	1000	ND	ND
Chloroform (ppm)	4	ND	ND	Escherichia coli	200	ND	ND
Chloroform (ppm)	200	ND	ND	Escherichia coli	500	ND	ND
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Chloroform (ppm)	10	ND					

SPORTS

Views From The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Our little grandson **Lawson** had another busy week during his summer vacation as he tried out Elba's new splash pad, bounced up and down for hours at a trampoline pad in Dothan and then cooled off at Water World. He fell asleep before he got back home, but had fun and got out of the house on a sunny day.

For what it is worth....

*** **The Elba Tigers were scheduled** to host a six-team 'seven on seven' camp this week and players from all across the area were set to come and compete at the event. Elba didn't exactly throw the ball much in its spring game against Samson, but has been working on putting the ball in the air during summer drills and should get the chance to put it in the air this week at the camp. The camp is also good in that it gives the Tiger defensive backs the opportunity to work out the kinks on the new zone defense installed in the spring, that gave up huge chunks of yards to Samson. I plan to attend the camp and will report back next week as to what the Tigers looked like against some of the top teams in the area.

*** **It looks like Kinston Bulldog fans will need a program** to know who the coaches are next season at the school since three head coaches have now resigned. The Bulldogs' boys' basketball coach and softball coach resigned a few weeks ago, and last week it was learned that football coach Jon Cooper had also tendered his resignation. Cooper led the Bulldogs to a successful season a year ago and an impressive performance in the spring against Opp, but left for personal reasons and left the program without a head coach with just weeks before the start of preseason workouts.

*** **It was also announced last week that ultra-successful Brantley football coach Ashley Kilcrease had resigned** to take a principal's post in a neighboring county. Kilcrease led the Bulldogs to a bunch of wins every season while at the helm, and while no one can blame him for taking a job that pays more money and has less hours, the change was still unexpected. Word is the new head coach will be Roland Jones Jr., a highly motivated and veteran head coach, and many feel the Bulldogs won't miss a beat under his leadership.

*** **In closing....** the decision to merge Elba and New Brockton's youth baseball and softball players into the Coffee County All-Stars was believed to make the newly formed teams more competitive, and while it served that purpose, it still made little difference on the scoreboard as the first three teams to compete at tournaments compiled a combined 2-6 record. Four of the losses were to such bigger programs as Eufaula, Andalusia and Greenville, which makes it hard to win consistently. At least the players that deserved to be an All-Star got a chance to compete, and that is what it is really all about.

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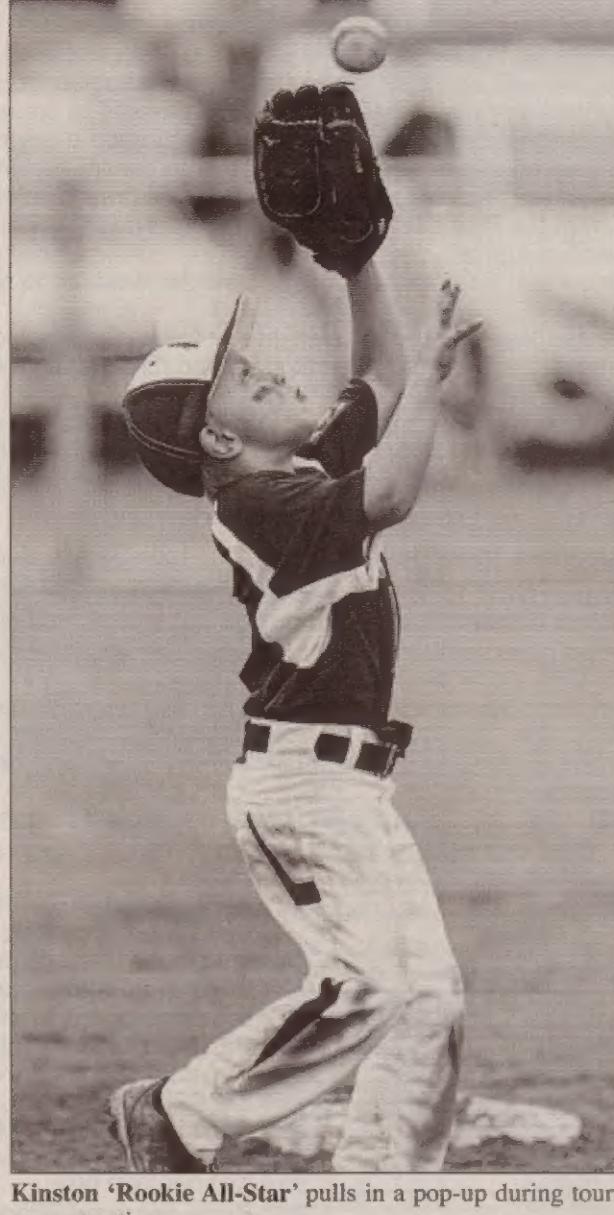


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Kinston 'Rookie All-Star' pulls in a pop-up during tournament action.

(Colby Capps photo)



Coffee County '8 and Under All-Star' makes contact for a big hit.

(Colby Capps photo)

For area All-Stars

Tournament action is nightly and non-stop

It is All-Star season for teams all across the Southeast in Dixie Baseball and Dixie Softball and a number of teams from Coffee County have been hitting the road on a regular basis competing against teams from across the area.

In Dixie O-Zone Baseball, the Coffee County All-Stars posted one win in pre-tourney action and then dropped two straight games in sub-district competition.

The All-Stars tangled with Zion Chapel in pre-tourney play and posted an exciting 8-5 win. Collin Arnold had 2 rbi's and struck out two batters on one inning on the mound to lead the All-Stars, while Baylon Foster drew two walks and Payton Green pitched three innings and recorded to strikeouts.

The All-Stars battled Eufaula in the opening round of the sub-district tournament and dropped a hard fought 5-1 decision. Riley Simmons had 2 hits and knocked in one run to lead the All-Stars at the plate, while James Downing added 1 hit and recorded two strikeouts in three innings on the mound, and Hayden Pope also added 1 hit.

The All-Stars met Geneva in loser's bracket action and were eliminated after a 12-2 loss. Payton Green struck out five batters in four innings on the mound to lead the All-Stars.

Members of the Dixie O-Zone All-Stars included Austin Aguilar, Colin Gray, James Downing, Baylon Foster, Trace Grantham, Cameron Gray, Cody Gray, Payton Green, Jordan Hammonds, Hayden Pope, Riley Simmons and Hunter White.

In Dixie '8 and Under' Baseball, the Coffee County All-Stars claimed one win in three games. The All-Stars opened the tournament with a big win over Zion Chapel, but then lost to Andalusia and Crenshaw County and were eliminated. Members of the Dixie '8 and Under' All-Stars included Brantley Thomas, Daniel Lambert, Brody Eubanks, Dylan Holley, Dawson Smith, Levi Martin, Cole Astemborski, Ky'Avian Stoudemire, Powell Bane, Grady Meeks, Jayden McLendon and Hunter Massey.

In Dixie Darlings



Coffee County 8 and Under All-Star listens to instructions from his coach after reaching base.

(Colby Capps photo)

Softball, the Coffee County All-Stars recorded one win in three games at the district tournament. The All-Stars lost to Opp 22-1 in opening round action, but rebounded to defeat Greenville 21-14 before being eliminated with a 16-9 loss to Andalusia. Members of the Dixie Darlings All-Stars included Reyna Wiggins, Arian Smith, Evangeline Wilkins, Aubrie Deloach, Ella McPhaul, Emily Peoples, Channon Hooks, Payton Parks, Zaniyah Mitchell, Mary O'Neal, Hillary Hudson and Miciah Smith.

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2018 Alabama alligator season registration underway

by DAVID RAINER
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With the application process for the 2018 Alabama alligator seasons underway, Rodney Young is now faced with a dilemma.

No, it's not that he isn't going to apply again. He's already done that. His problem is how to get the monster gator he and his team bagged last year into his house.

Young tagged a 13-foot gator that registered 667 pounds on the scale last year in the Southwest Zone, the largest gator of the year.

Young decided to have a full-body mount made and plans to put it in his home in Stapleton when the taxidermist is finished later this year.

"I'm going to put him in my man cave over the garage," he said. "I'm hoping it'll go up the staircase. If not, I'm going to have to get a crane or lift of some kind and put him through the window. I haven't figured that out yet."

Young and his team faced a similar situation last August during their gator hunt in the Mobile-Tensaw Delta. Young admits they were lucky to find a big gator because they hadn't done any scouting.

"We were just rolling the dice, running up and down the rivers," Young said. "We saw a bunch of 10-footers. This was my first hunt. I was out with some buddies of mine who had been on several hunts through the years. We'd see one and my buddy Gary Goins would say, 'Nah, ain't big enough.'"

About 2 a.m., the team was running up the Tensaw River when one of the crew shined a light on the bank and spotted a big gator in a man cave of his own.

"All we could see was the tip of his nose and his eyes," Young said. "But we knew right then it was a good one. We were probably 100 yards away, but we knew we were onto something."

"He was in what looked like a little cove. The way the willows were, it created a little pocket and trees had grown over the top. We were having to cast sideways. We'd hit limbs and trees, and the gator would go down. That happened four times. We'd fool with him, and he'd go down. We'd back out in the river and watch for him. About 30 minutes later, he'd pop back up."

Then the big gator made a fatal mistake. He abandoned his cove.

"We were setting up to watch him again when one of the guys yelled, 'He's running,'" Young said. "He was tired of us fooling with him, and he came out into the river. We spun around and got two lines in him. That was an hour-and-a-half into the process. Of course, then the fight was on. He'd go down. We tried to keep two lines on him with treble hooks. He'd spin and pop one off. Then we'd get another one in him."

After the team finally got the gator under the boat, Young donned a pair of gloves and grabbed the large line with a snare hook.

Young hooked the gator but it didn't come up right away.

"When he finally got to the surface, his head came completely out of the water," he said. "That's the first time we got a good look at him, and we realized we had a monster."

The team finally wore the big gator down and secured him to the side of the boat at 5 a.m. Young dispatched the gator with one shot.

"At that point, we were as worn out as he was," Young said.

Then Young's team was faced with another dilemma. They were in Goins' Blazer Bay boat because of motor problems on their boat that was designated for gator hunting, and Goins didn't want the gator messing up his almost-new boat.

"He told us, 'We can take the Blazer Bay, but we're not putting that gator in the boat,'" Young said. "We said, okay we'll tie him off. Bear in mind, we shot that gator at 5 o'clock. We realized we would never make it back to the weigh station before it closed if we had to go back to the launch and then drive to the Causeway."

"Gary was sitting there with his head in his hands. Finally, he said, 'The heck with it. Put him in the boat.' We didn't bat an eye. We weren't going to give him a chance to change his mind, so we started pulling the gator in the boat. It took all five of us to get him in the boat. Then four of us had to go to the bow of the boat to get the boat up on plane. But we got to the weigh station in time."

Although Young has applied for a tag this year, he said he knows the point system implemented in 2014 will put him at the bottom of the list for 2018.

"I'm not holding out a lot of hope," he said. "I figure it'll take another two or three years to get another tag. It took me seven years to get the first one."

Chris Nix, Alabama Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries' Alligator Program Coordinator, said a preference points system was implemented for the 2014 season, and it is working as expected. For each year an applicant fails to draw a tag, the points are cubed with a point added for the current year.

"If you have applied since 2014 and haven't been drawn, you will have 65 points now," Nix said. "It's not guaranteed, but those people are highly likely to get drawn now. The longer the point system is in place, the quicker the turnover for people who haven't gotten a tag."

To ensure that new applicants have a shot at a tag, Nix said that 85 percent of the tags are filled with applicants with preference points and the remaining 15 percent are allocated to those with no points. Once a person is drawn, the preference points are zeroed out. Preference points are also lost if the person fails to apply for a tag.

Nix said the 2018 alligator season parameters are the same as last year with 260 total tags statewide — 150 in the Southwest Zone, 50 in the

West Central Zone, 40 in the Southeast Zone and 20 in the Lake Eufaula Zone. Hunting is from sunset to sunrise.

Season dates for the Southwest Zone and the West Central Zone are sunset on August 9 until sunrise on August 12 and sunset on August 16 until sunrise on August 19. The Southwest Zone includes private and public waters in Baldwin and Mobile counties and private and public waters in Washington, Clarke and Monroe counties that lie east of U.S. Highway 43 and south of U.S. Highway 84. The West Central Zone includes private and public waters in Monroe (north of U.S. Highway 84), Wilcox and Dallas counties.

The Southeast Zone season opens at sunset on August 11 and runs until sunrise on September 3. The Southeast Zone includes private and public waters in Barbour, Coffee, Covington, Dale, Geneva, Henry, Houston and Russell counties (excluding public Alabama state waters in Walter F. George Reservoir/Lake Eufaula and its navigable tributaries).

The Lake Eufaula Zone includes public state waters only in the Walter F. George Reservoir/Lake Eufaula and its navigable tributaries south of Alabama Highway 208 at Omaha Bridge (excludes Eufaula National Wildlife Refuge). The Eufaula season dates are from sunset on August 17 through sunrise on October 1.

An 8-foot restriction on harvest is in effect for the Lake Eufaula Zone. The other zones have no size restrictions.

Registration continues until 8 a.m. on July 11. After a computer-controlled drawing, entrants can find out if they drew a tag after noon on July 11 by logging on at the same page where they registered at www.outdooralabama.com/alligators/alligator-hunt-registration.

Those who are drawn will have seven days to confirm the tags and are required to attend a zone-specific training class with a couple of exceptions.

"If you've taken the class as a tag holder or alternate in the Southwest Zone or West Central Zone, you're exempt from having to take it again," Nix said. "If your tag is in the Southeast Zone or Lake Eufaula Zone, the class is mandatory every year. We do that because of the contiguous zones with Georgia and the Eufaula National Wildlife Refuge, which is off-limits."

Nix said between 60 and 70 percent of the tags are filled annually, but it's not because of a lack of alligators, especially in the Southwest Zone.

"We could have a 100-percent success rate in the Southwest Zone every year," he said. "People pass up gators they wish they had tagged. It's just like deer hunting. Most people don't shoot the first buck that walks into the field. People usually don't take the first alligator they see."

"But to each his own. We had a couple that brought in two 4-footers last year, and they were as happy as could be."

Special meeting set for Monday, July 2, at 6 p.m.

Elba Council updated on police chief search

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The Elba City Council met Monday evening, June 25, and business was routine if refinancing a multi-million dollar loan, selling real estate and handling the paperwork to contract out the local ambulance services is considered as routine.

Chief Deputy Ronnie Whitworth, as acting Elba Police Chief, gave a short update on activity within the police department. He indicated activity within the department had been relatively quiet during the past week. He noted there have been several burglaries, and the department had recovered one stolen vehicle; however, it had been stripped of vital parts.

Officers have served several arrest warrants and one of the individuals being arrested on an outstanding warrant resisted but was arrested and jailed. That suspect complained of being injured and was taken to the hospital. After release from the hospital he was jailed on warrants from both the City of Elba and Coffee County.

Assistant City Clerk Pat Boothe said the old Welcome To Elba signs had been removed as requested by the city council. The pavilion at the new splash pad is under construction and should be completed within the next two weeks.

Mayor Mickey Murdock reported that city revenue is exceeding expenditures but not as much as he would like for it to do.

"Not bad but not what I would like for us to do," Murdock said.

He said this keeps the city within budget but does not allow for many of the outstanding needs of the community.

The mayor discussed the possible refinancing of a sewer system bond, citing the annual savings in lower interest rates. The payment would drop and the city would be able to utilize the \$200,000 in the reserve fund

of the existing 40-year sewer loan. He estimated there would be a \$75,000 cost of refinancing, but it was still profitable for the city.

The existing sewer bond issue (issued in 2000) has a remaining balance of \$1,753,000. Council members agreed for Murdock to proceed with the paperwork on refinancing the loan.

The council approved rewording the long-term contract with CCEMS to allow them to contract with Haynes Ambulance Service for emergency medical services. The current contract does not allow CCEMS to assign the work to another group.

This new contract would be for three years from date of signing. The cost to the city for maintaining emergency ambulance services would be the same as before the change.

The local EMS is allowing their state license to expire on June 30th. Murdock said Haynes has assured him they would have emergency personnel available at midnight on that date.

The council approved the sale of the Head Start building (old superintendent's office) to Amy Matthews for \$20,000. Matthews was the

only bidder to enter a bid during the time allotted in the formal advertisement of the sale.

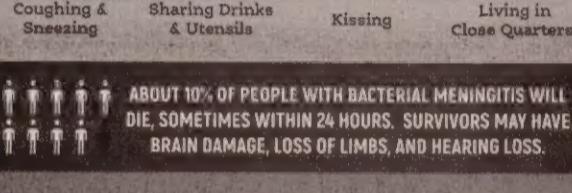
The real estate contract spells out exactly who will pay the various expenses of the real estate sale with both Matthews and the City of Elba accepting certain expenses and their own.

Beverly Hamilton reviewed the progress of the summer STEM program, the four-week program serving local eight to 12 year old children. Project EXCEL operates from 12:30 to 5:00 p.m. and the activities include sports, code of conduct rules, education, visit to the local library, and doing various crafts.

Murdock briefed council members on the search for a new police chief. He said five had been interviewed for the position and several had withdrawn their name from consideration for various reasons, but he expects to have a recommendation for the council at a special council meeting Monday, July 2, at 6 p.m.

Council members recommended the reappointment of Gladys Yelverton to another term on the Elba School Board. All council members approved.

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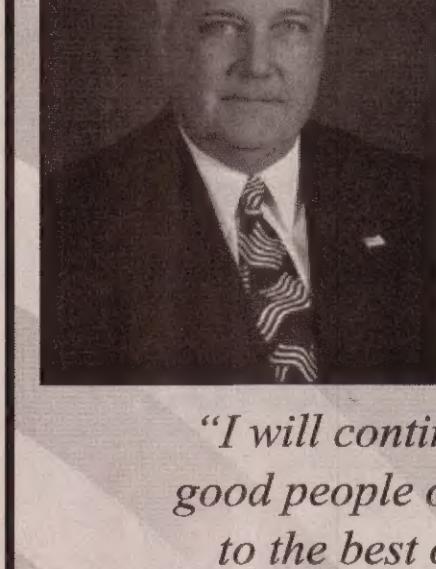
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tors were quick to respond when they reported the burglary, and she hopes they are soon able to find the person(s) responsible for it.

Also recently, the Sheriff's Department has been investigating a couple of church burglaries — one at Hebron Baptist Church and another at Newbia Baptist Church. According to Captain Hines, it appears electronic and sound equipment were the targeted items in these church burglaries.

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said.

After the opening ceremonies, families are invited to participate in watermelon eating and seed spitting contests, a sack race, The Springs concert, and much more. There will be jumpy houses on site for youngsters to enjoy, as well as food and craft vendors for all ages.

The "Let Freedom Ring" event concludes with the highly anticipated fireworks display.

"This is true Americana

Red Cross urges donors to fill missing types to prevent summer blood shortage

The American Red Cross needs help to bring back the A's, B's and O's.

This is not a typo. These letters represent blood types, and the reality is that during blood shortages these letters do go missing from hospital shelves. The American Red Cross urges donors of all blood types to give now to help prevent delays in patient care this summer.

Earlier this month, A's, B's and O's began disappearing from brand logos, social media pages, signs and websites as part of the Missing Types campaign to draw attention to the need for new blood donors. More than 1,000 partners across the country, from small businesses to leading national brands, have signed on to join the #MissingType movement and raise awareness about the critical role of every blood donor.

Thousands of donors have answered the call to donate blood, but more donors are needed to help ensure blood types don't go missing. During the summer, especially around holidays like Independence Day, donations often don't keep pace with patient needs.

The Red Cross will give all those who donate July 2-7 an exclusive Red Cross Missing Types T-shirt, while supplies last.

Upcoming blood donation opportunities June 25-July 15

- Covington County - Andalusia - 7/5/2018: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1307 East Three Notch Street

- Coffee County - Elba - 7/9/2018: 11 a.m. - 4 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 403 East Davis Street & 7/26/2018: 11 a.m. - 4 p.m., Elba Church of Christ, 715 North Troy Hwy

- Covington County - Opp - 7/27/2018: 11 a.m. - 6 p.m., Opp Senior Activity Center, 500 Brantley Street

All blood types are needed to ensure a reliable supply for patients. A blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age - in most states (16 with parental consent, where allowed by state law), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally

He asked that any person that may come across another trying to sell such equipment call the Coffee County Sheriff's Department. Also, he said any time a person is acting suspicious, it is always a good idea to notify authorities.

"Do not hesitate to call us," Hines said. "It just might help us to prevent more crimes such as these."

Hines said all these cases remain under investigation at this time.

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